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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT LITERATURE IN FRENCH

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1. US MISSION TO MAURITANIA WISHES TO COLLECT SERIES OF ARTI-
CLES AND/OR BOOK-LENGTH DISCUSSIONS IN FRENCH OF ECONOMIC DEVE-
LOPMENT THEORY AND PRACTICE FOR DISTRIBUTION TO KEY MAURITANIANS,
GOVERNMENTAL AND PRIVATE, FOR PURPOSE OF BEGINNING THEIR SYSTE-
MATIC EDUCATION ABOUT THE LONG, DIFFICULT PROCESS OF DEVELOPMENT
AND THE TOUGH SOCIAL AND POLITICAL AS WELL AS ECONOMIC DECISIONS
THEY ARE GOING TO HAVE TO MAKE IN THE NEXT TWO TO THREE YEARS

IF THEY REALLY WANT TO PURSUE DEVELOPMENT GOALS THEY HAVE SET FOR THEMSELVES. NEED IS THREEFOLD: FIRST FOR "POPULARIZED" DISCUSSIONS WHICH CAN BE DISTRIBUTED RATHER WIDELY TO GIRM OFFICIALS AND KEY PRPVA SECTOR OPINION LEADERS; SECOND, FOR PRIMER (OR BEGINNING INTERMEDIATE) LEVEL PRESENTATIONS FOR DISTRIBUTION TO SENSITIZED BUT VERY INEXPERTHFFICIALS IN MINISTRIES OF PLANNING, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, WATER RESOURCES, HEALTH, ETC.; AND THIRD, FOR REASONABLY SOPHISTICATED PRESENTATIONS TO BE INCLUDED FOR PROTOCOL REASONS IN PACKAGES OF GRADED MATERIALS FOR DISTRIBUTION TO MINISTERS WHO IN THEORY ARE DEEPLY READ IN DEVELOPMENT THEORY AND PRACTICE BUT WHO IN FACT ARE AT ELEMENTARY LEVEL AT BEST. (UMA LELE'S DESIGN OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IS TOO SOPHISTICATED AND TOO TOUGH GOING--EVEN FOR ENGLISH SPEAKERS--FOR USE HERE AT THIS STAGE.)

2. WHILE MISSION STAFFERS ARE REASONABLY WELL ACQUAINTED WITH DEVELOPMENT LITERATURE IN ENGLISH, WE HAVE NO FAMILIARITY WITH LITERATURE IN FRENCH, AND VERY LITTLE IDEA OF WHAT PARTS OF ENGLISH LITERATURE HAVE BEEN TRANSLATED AND PUBLISHED IN FRENCH COMMERCIALY OR BY AID, USIA, UNDP, OR OTHER FOREIGN SERVICE POSTS. WE WOULD THEREFORE VERY MUCH APPRECIATE ASSISTANCE FROM ANY QUARTER--COPIES OF MATERIALS, INSTRUCTIONS FOR OBTAINING MULTIPLE COPIES OF MATERIALS, CITATIONS, ETC.

3. AS PLACE TO BEGIN: HAS STATE, AID OR USIA TRANSLATED AND PUBLISHED FRENCH VERSION OF STATE PA/MEDIA SERVICES SPECIAL REPORT NO. 28, DECEMBER 1976, ENTITLED: "US LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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INITIATIVES FOR WORLD DEVELOPMENT"? OR HAS USIA OR AID TRANSLATED AND PUBLISHED BRANDON ROBINSON'S ARTICLE IN MARCH FOREIGN SERVICE JOURNAL ENTITLED: "THIRD WORLD PROBLEMS AND ASSISTANCE FROM A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY"? LATTER IS VERY MUCH SORT OF PIECE WE NEED TO LAUNCH OUR READING COURSE IN DEVELOPMENT.

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